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Allotment of Coal Blocks
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the norms for allotment of coal blocks to private and public sector companies;

(b) whether the Government has made any changes in the dates of receipt of applications for allotment of coal blocks to such companies;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

Answer

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR COAL, POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): Allocation of 204 coal mines/blocks cancelled by Hon'ble Supreme Court are made under the provisions of Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, 2015 and the Rules made thereunder. Allocation of coal blocks to Government companies are made by way of allotment and allocation of coal blocks to private companies as well as government companies are made by way of auction. The details of the norms for allotment and auction of coal blocks to public and private sector companies are prescribed in the Rules, Allotment document and Tender document. Broad norms for auction and allotment are as under:-

Auction:
(i) Technical and financial qualifications of the participants in the auction
(ii) Compliance with the procedures specified for the auction process; and
(iii) Requirement to provide security, guarantee.

Allotment: If more than one application is considered to be in compliance with all the Eligibility Conditions and responsive, then such applications shall be considered for the purpose of selection from amongst the qualified Applicants in accordance with following norms:

i) Requirement of coal for power generation capacity coming up in the State till the year 2017.
ii) Proximity of the end use plant from the coal mine.

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iii) In case the Applicant is owned by a coal bearing State Government, relaxation from the above norms may be considered to encourage setting up of End Use Plant(s) close to pit-heads.

(b) & (c): The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.
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